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4. The Nõrskoi Zavod naval shipyard was managed by a naval captain. It employed about 1,000 civilian workmen, mostly Estonians, and 300 to 400 German PWs. The leading positions were held by Soviets. The shipyard was primarily engaged in the repair of ship engines and electric installations and in the demagnetization of vessels. Guns were not repaired in the naval yards. The newly constructed "New Mechanics" building was equipped with several new machine tools of US make, including lathes for the turning of propeller shafts.
5. Most of the jetties and breakwaters of the shipyard harbor had been destroyed and not yet reconstructed. A slip with ship lift was located to the side of the entrance to the shipyard basin.

Comment:

- a. The capacity of the TALLINN shipyard is obviously still limited, so that essential and more complicated repair work has to be performed in Leningrad (indicated by the low number of Soviet naval vessels repaired in TALLINN). It is expected, however, that the obsolete shipyard will be improved and turned into an efficient repair yard for naval vessels, as the waters off TALLINN are very suitable for naval exercises.
- b. The former German destroyer "Z 33" and another destroyer are at present being repaired in the Neptun Shipyard, ROSTOK (N 55/O 81). The undesignated destroyers, observed in TALLINN, may have been the former German "Friedrich Ihn" and "Erich Steinbrink."
- c. The information that the cruiser "Makarov" (the former German "Kuernberg") was provided with new armament needs to be checked because the replacing of nine 150-mm guns by six 240-mm guns would constitute an essential increase in weight and, if so, the 240-mm guns, never observed with the Soviet Navy before, must be a new design.

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